



**U.S. Customs and  
Border Protection**

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Jimmy Tobias  
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Dear Mr. Tobias:

This is a final response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) in which you are seeking any written or electronic communications, including emails and text messages, between CBP officials based at Las Cruces Station and any agents, representatives, volunteers or individuals associated with the right-wing militia group known as the United Constitutional Patriots, from September 1, 2018 to present.

We have conducted a comprehensive search of files within the CBP databases for records that would be responsive to your request. Unfortunately, we were unable to locate or identify any responsive records, based upon the information you provided in your request.

This completes the CBP response to your request. You may contact a FOIA Public Liaison by sending an email via your FOIAonline account, or call 202-325-0150.

If you are not satisfied with the response to this request, you have a right to appeal the final disposition. Should you wish to do so, you must file your appeal within 90 days of the date of this letter following the procedures outlined in the DHS regulations at Title 6 C.F.R. §5.9. Please include as much information as possible to help us understand the grounds for your appeal. You should submit your appeal via FOIAonline by clicking on the "Create Appeal" button that appears when you view your initial request. If you do not have computer access, you may send your appeal and a copy of this letter to: FOIA Appeals, Policy and Litigation Branch, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 90 K Street, NE, 10th Floor, Washington, DC 20229-1177. Your envelope and letter should be marked "FOIA Appeal." Copies of the FOIA and DHS regulations are available at [www.dhs.gov/foia](http://www.dhs.gov/foia).

Additionally, you have a right to seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) which mediates disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. If you are requesting access to your own records (which is considered a Privacy Act request), you should know that OGIS does not have the authority to handle requests made under the Privacy Act of 1974. You may contact OGIS as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Please notate file number CBP-2019-047654 on any future correspondence to CBP related to this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Kellie Benjamin-White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Kellie Benjamin-White  
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